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OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

Circuit Court: On Fourth Monday in June, and Third Monday in March and November. J. B. Hannah, Judge; John M. Waugh, Com'ly Attorney; R. M. Oakley, Clerk; G. W. Phillips, Trustee of Jury Fund; S. R. Collier, Master Commissioner, J. D. Lykins, Deputy Master Com'r.

County Court: On Second Monday in each month.

Quarterly Court: On Tuesday after Second Monday in each month.

Fiscal Court: On Wednesday after Fourth Monday in April and October.

I. C. Ferguson, Presiding Judge.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

First District—W. G. Short, 1st Monday in each month.

Second District—S. S. Dennis, Tuesday after 1st Monday in each month.

Third District—Eli W. Day, Wednesday after 1st Monday in each month.

Fourth District—Charles Prater, Friday after 1st Monday in each month.

Fifth District—Frank Kennard, Wednesday after 2nd Monday in each month.

Sixth District—J. E. Lewis, Friday after 2nd Monday in each month.

Seventh District—A. F. Blevins, Thursday after 2nd Monday in each month.

Eighth District—Franklin Walter, Thursday after 1st Monday in each month.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Judge—I. C. Ferguson.
Attorney—J. P. Haney.

Sheriff—H. B. Brown.
Treasurer—W. M. Gardner.

Clerk—J. H. Sebastian.
Supt. Schools—T. N. Barker.

Jailor—H. C. Combs.
J. M. Kippin.

J. R. Lykins.
M. P. Turner.

Game Warden—W. C. G. W. Jno M. Perry.

West Liberty Police Court—First Wednesday in each month.

P. Womack, Judge.

J. P. HANEY, County Attorney.

GENERAL PRACTICE, OFFICE IN COURT HOUSE.

West Liberty, Ky.

W. M. GARDNER, LAWYER.

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Wheat Harvest All Over the World

There is no month in the year when the hum of the harvesting machine, or the sound of the sharpened sickle, cutting wheat, is not heard in some parts of the round globe. It wakes the echoes of the new-year month at the same time in Australia of the Eastern hemisphere and in Argentina of the Western. In February and March it is heard in Upper Egypt and in India, continuing through April in Lower Egypt, Persia and Asia Minor and Mexico. May sees the beginning of the wheat harvest for our country in California and Texas, and its completion in Central Asia and in Japan. In June, it goes on throughout our Southern states and in the south countries of Europe, from Turkey to Portugal; in July in many of our Northern states, from New England to Nebraska, and from the Balkan States through Southern Russia, in the Old World; while in August it is harvest season in Minnesota, the Dakotas, and Canada, and "over the water" from the south of Great Britain eastward through Belgium, Germany and Central Russia. In September, the grain is cut in Scotland, Sweden and the plains of the north of Russia, after which the sickle goes to the South again, and is busy in the November in Peru and in South Africa, and in December in Burnah and New South Wales.

Women's Commandments.

Chicago women consider that the issuance of special commandments for women by the Rev. W. B. Millard, of Morgan Park, and Rev. Albert Hyde, of Boston, Mass., may be taken to indicate that the gentlemen of the cloth believe women to be in special need of admonition from the ministerial study. Here are the commandments recommended by Chicago women for the "cloth":

Thou shalt give the same laws for the poor as for the rich. Let not fine raiment deceive thee.

Thou shalt not condemn the woman and forgive the man, for the Lord my God shall judge thee.

Thou shalt abandon sophistry and preach truth, for the ways of the devil are devious.

Thou shalt not interpret the word of God but thou shalt administer it that all may know and respect the law.

Thou shalt condemn the sins of the mighty and condone those of the humble.

Thou shalt not be bound by temples, but thou shalt go out into by-ways and preach among the people.

Thou shalt abandon euphemism in pulpit and tell God's message in the language of his Son.

Thou shalt under no circumstances compromise with the devil.—Masonic Home Journal.

An Appreciation.

For several weeks the LICKING VALLEY COURIER has been making regular visits to our home and we are indebted to some friend of former days for this much appreciated kindness. "Thou now far removed from that loved habitation," there is nothing that affords us more pleasure than to receive news each week of those, whom, during our two years sojourn in their midst, by their many kindnesses made us their lasting friends. It is one of the greatest pleasures of life, as we seek to do our Master's will and go where e'er He sends us, to know that we are not forgotten by those among whom we have labored. May this pleasure that is ours, be to the giver as "Bread cast upon the waters."

MRS. R. B. WILSON.

California, Ky.

Go to Keeton's for fresh oysters.

Planting in the Moon

Do you plant everything in the moon? If you do, why do you? Do you really think the moon has anything to do with the outcome of your crop? Of course it does not. If you will only experiment in an unprejudiced way and watch other folks and their experience you will soon become convinced. You will first find out that all do not use the same sign. You wonder how these other folks got their idea for planting in the opposites sign from you. They wonder how you got your sign, and so do I.

Let me tell you candidly, from the standpoint of reason there is nothing to any of it. These moon folks are always ready to believe any sign, but never are willing to give any credence to any discovery of science. The latter is based upon facts, but the moon signs are no more reasonable than the ancient myths and fables. Do you know how these signs got started? It is in this way. In every neighborhood there is a man or a woman that is a bigger gossip than anybody else, is more important and at the same time has less solid brain matter than anybody else in the neighborhood, and persons whose ideal can't reach very high get all their whims and signs from these gossips. Not always even notions. Sometimes these things which you are taught to believe to be true are simply told by some such persons in the hopes of attaining notoriety for himself. Whims, signs and superstition are detrimental to progress, and the more of them you follow less prosperous you will be.

Southern Agriculturist.

He Won't Limp Now.

No more limping for Tom More of Cochran, Ga. "I had a bad sore on my instep and nothing seemed to help till I used Bucklin's Arnica Salve" he writes, "but this wonderful healer soon cured me." Heals old, running sores, ulcers, burns, boils, cuts, bruises, eczema or piles. Try it. Only 25 cents at all druggists.

America is the crucible of God. It is the melting pot where all the races are fusing and reforming. Here you stand in your fifth groups, with your fifth languages and histories and your fifth rivalries and hatreds. But, brothers, you won't be long like that, for these are the fires of God you've come to—these are the fires of God. A fig to feuds and vendettas! Germans and Frenchmen, Irishmen and Englishmen, Jews and Russian—into the crucible with you all! God is making the American—Isreal Zangwill.

Almost Lost His Life.

S. A. Stid, of Mason, Mich., will never forget his terrible exposure to a merciless storm. "It gave me a dreadful cold," he writes, "that caused server pains in my chest, so it was hard for me to breathe. A neighbor gave me several doses of Dr. King's New Discovery which brought great relief. The doctor said I was on the verge of pneumonia, but to continue with the Discovery. I did so and two bottles completely cured me." Use only quick, safe, reliable medicine for coughs, colds, or any throat or lung trouble. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

A Bargain in Timber.

100 acres of fine timber, virgin forest. On floating water, near railroad. This is the best proposition on the market. It'll not be on our hands long at the price we offer it. Want it?

COTTE & HOVERMALE.

Keeton has the most complete line of groceries in town.

PERSONALS

Frank Ward, of Pekin, was in town Monday.

D. M. Murphy, of Ezel, was in town Monday.

Jas. H. Day is at Winchester on business.

Paschal Kilgore, of Caney was in town Monday.

Polk Okley, of Blaze, was here the first of the week.

S. R. Lykins, of Caney, was in town on business Monday.

O. P. Carter, of Bonny, was here the first of the week.

A. O. Peyton, of Cannel City, was here the first of the week.

Kelly Murphy, of Ezel, transacted business in town Monday.

B. J. Elam, of Salsville, attended Quarterly Court Tuesday.

W. T. Walter, of Cannel City, attended County Court Monday.

Joe Haney, of Cannel City, was in town the first of the week.

Dr. S. R. Collier made a business trip to Frankfort this week.

Robert Sturdivent is in Breathitt County on business this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Cottle, of Elamton, the 13th inst. a girl.

Coroner W. T. Bargent, of Blair's Mill, attended County Court Monday.

J. T. and R. Caudill, of Cannel City, were in the City Tuesday.

Stanley Denny, of Ezel, visited his mother, Mrs. Denny, in town this week.

Dr. G. C. Nickell, of Ezel, was a pleasant caller at the Courier office Monday.

Mack Little, and sister Miss Nettie, of White Oak, were in town Tuesday.

Ben Murphy, of Maytown, transacted business in town the first of the week.

Dillard Murphy, of Ezel, was in town Friday and while here visited the Courier office.

Joe M. Kendall has returned from an extended visit in Winchester and Mt. Sterling.

Sam J. Salyer, of Cassville, Mo, visited relatives and friends in West Liberty recently.

Miss Nancy Phipps and Miss Myrtle Rose were pleasant callers at the Courier office Tuesday.

G. W. Stacy, of Grassy Creek, was in town Monday and while here renewed his subscription to the Courier.

Sam J. Caudill, son of R. E. Caudill, Cannel City, is at home from West Point Military academy on a vacation.

Tony Wells, Pieratt Jenkins, Volnie Cottle and Hurst Dyer, assisted us materially in running off the paper this week.

L. P. Haney, of Nickell, was here the first of the week and renewed his subscription to the best paper in Morgan County.

W. W. Hubbard, of Indianapolis, Ind, is here looking after his timber interests and also in the interests of the railroad up Elk Fork.

Forest Franklin and Esq., Frank Kennard, of Logville, attended County Court Monday and while in town called in to see how the Courier clan was getting along.

The Elocution Department of the West Liberty High school will give a Washington Birthday entertainment on Friday evening February 22 under the direction of Mrs. W. D. Archibald, the popular and efficient teacher of that department. An admission fee, 10 cents will be charged for the benefit of the school. The public is cordially invited to attend this splendid entertainment.

Misses Fleta and Mary, John W. and Allie Y., children of L. T. Hovermale, arrived Tuesday from Frenchburg, and with their father have commenced house-keeping.

Ellis Ward, who has just closed a successful school at Malone, came in and had his paper changed from Malone to Ezel, his home office.

Uncle Taylor Risner, of Bloomington, was in town lately making preparation to build a dwelling on his property on Glenn ave.

Mrs. Cecil Henry and little son, Willis clay, have returned from visiting Mrs. J. B. Hannah at Sandy Hook.

M. F. Holbrook, of Moon, was in town Monday and while here renewed his subscription to his County paper.

Burns Ferguson, of Elamton, was in town Monday and while here gave us a nice order for job work.

W. B. Greer, S. S. Oldfield, Willie Elam and L. A. Lykins, of Index, were in town Monday.

Denny M. Carter, of Clearfield, visited his parents, Dr. and Mrs. B. F. Carter, this week.

Deputy sheriff, E. D. Hamilton, of Silver Hill, was in town on business this week.

Mrs. Lizzie Cox was a pleasant caller at the Courier office one day last week.

Deputy sheriff T. J. Perry, of Blaze, transacted business in town Monday.

Jno. M. Lykins, of Grassy Creek, attended County Court Monday.

S. M. Nickell, of Whitesburg, is here looking after interests of his clients.

Alex Whitaker, of Caney, was mixing with the people in town Monday.

W. T. Caskey, of Lenox, called to see us Monday.

Green Oakley, of Yocum, was in town Monday.

She—You puckered up your lips so then that I thought you were going to kiss me.

He—Oh I got some grit in my mouth.

She—Well, for goodness sake, swallow it! You need it in your system—Ex.

Births.

February the ninth to Jno. McKenzie, Jr., and wife, of Goodsey, a girl.

Feb. fourth to Creed Smallwood and wife, of near West Liberty, a girl.

Feb. tenth to Jess Earle and wife, of Lenox, a girl.

Farm For Sale.

My farm of 30 acres, two miles from Mt. Sterling. Has on it good dwelling. Well watered and fenced.

MRS. P. B. TURNER, R. F. D. 1, Mt. Sterling, Ky.

Bullock With Two Hearts. There was killed recently at Deptford, London, a bullock of phenomenal development. The animal, which was aged 12 months, was found to have two hearts, one being of normal size and the other somewhat smaller. Such a freak has never been known before in the annals of the market.

Two Real Estate Bargains.

We have for sale what is known as the "Uncle Billy Elam" farm on Spaws creek, one mile east of West Liberty. The farm contains 120 acres, 90 acres of which is well timbered. Good dwelling, good barn and all necessary outbuildings, good well and young orchard. 15 acres of bottom land.

One of the most desirable homes in Morgan County Will sell cheap on easy terms.

House and lot on Glenn Avenue; large lot, nice new cottage with 3 rooms and hall, plumbed for gas, insurance paid for three years, good well good garden. Also small two room cottage in rear. Barn lot contains 1/4 acres and is separated from residence lot by an alley.

A bargain on easy terms of payment.

COTTE & HOVERMALE, West Liberty, Ky.

Burned to death

Analza Griffiths, about 45 years old and unmarried, was burned so severely on Tuesday the 6th inst. that she died the following morning. Her clothing caught from a shaving with which she had lighted her pipe and thrown on the floor. She made her home with the family of her brother-in-law Jas. C. Baily, on the head of White Oak. Mr. Baily, in his efforts to extinguish the flames, was badly burned about the hands and arms.

Commercial Club Meeting.

The Commercial Club met last Monday night in the County Court room.

Desirous of giving an impetus to the movement toward scientific farming in Morgan county, the Club decided to take up the matter of prizes for the Boy's Corn and Potato Club. A Committee was appointed, composed of T. N. Barker, M. T. Womack and Everett Mathis, to raise funds for this purpose.

It being felt that the freight rates charged by the railroads carrying freight to West Liberty are excessive, it was decided to take the matter up with the railroads and attempt to secure an equitable rate. I. C. Ferguson, C. W. Womack and L. T. Hovermale were appointed as a committee to confer with the roads.

The program committee was directed to prepare a banquet for the members in the near future, the date of which will probably be fixed at next meeting.

The good that the Commercial Club is capable of is becoming apparent to all, and interest in its work is growing. Already many things that have been considered unattainable are now taking the attitude of the probable. An era of development is at hand and the Commercial Club is awake to our interests. We have commenced to shake off the halimments of a village and will soon be writing it the "City of West Liberty."

Deaths.

Jan. 31—Isaac Ellington, of Goodsey, of senile debility, aged 90 years.

Feb. 8.—Geo. M. Elliott, of Goodsey, aged about 75 years, senile debility.

Feb. 13.—Eliza Ann McKinzie, aged about 65 years, of a complication of diseases.

Feb. 12.—Mrs. J. F. Lewis, of Pomp, of typhoid fever.

Jan. —Mrs. Peter Lewis, of Pomp, of typhoid fever.

Feb. 11.—Lee Perkins, of Panama, tuberculosis.

Thought He Covered the Ground. A man who was dunned by a book seller for a book delivered some time before returned the bill with this written on it: "I never ordered this book. If I did, you did not send it. If I got it, I paid for it. If I didn't, I won't."



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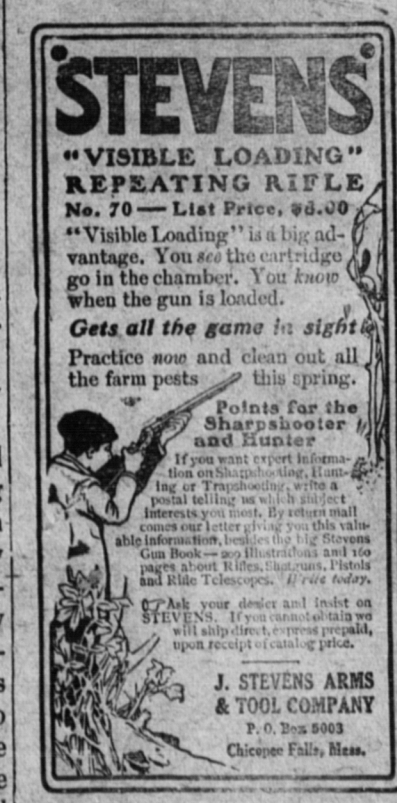
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Sheriff's Sale Under Execution.

Morgan Circuit Court, Blair and Reed P.H. Vs. Notice of Sale.

Under and by virtue of Execution No. 122, which issued from the Morgan Circuit Court, on the 17 day of January 1912, in favor of Blair and Reed, against Red Men Lodge, I will on the 11 day of March, 1912, at the front door of the court house in West Liberty Ky, being County Court day, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 2 o'clock p. m. expose to public sale to the highest bidder on a credit of three months. The following described property to viz: One Hall known as the Red Men's Hall at Wrigley Ky levied upon as the property of the Red Men Lodge No. 112, to satisfy an execution in my hands for collection in favor of Blair and Reed, against the said Red Men Lodge, or a sufficiency thereof to make sum of \$60.12 so directed to be made.

The purchaser will be required to execute bond with approved security, bearing 6 per cent interest from date of sale.

H. B. Brown S. M. C. By T. J. Perry D. S.

April 7, 1879, at the residence of
West Liberty, Ky., under the Act
of March 3, 1879.

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H. G. COTTLE, EDITOR.

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dressed to the Editor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce
G. V. LYKINS
of Grassy Creek, as a candidate
for the Democratic nomination
for the office of County Judge of
Morgan county.

We are authorized to announce
ALEX WHITAKER
of Caney, as a candidate for the
nomination for County Judge of
Morgan county, subject to the
action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
FRANK KENNAIRD
of Logville, as a candidate for
the nomination for County At-
torney of Morgan county, subject
to the action of the Democratic
party.

We are authorized to announce
H. M. DAVIS
of West Liberty, as a candidate
for the nomination for County
Court Clerk of Morgan county,
subject to the action of the Dem-
ocratic party.

We are authorized to announce
REN F. NICKELL,
of West Liberty, as a candidate
for Clerk of the Morgan County
Court, subject to the action of
the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
JAMES W. DAVIS,
of Ezel, as a candidate for the
nomination for Superintendent
of Schools of Morgan county,
subject to the action of the Dem-
ocratic party.

We are authorized to announce
C. E. CLARK
of Maytown, as a candidate for
the nomination for Superintend-
ent of Schools of Morgan county,
subject to the action of the Dem-
ocratic party.

We are authorized to announce
L. A. LYKINS
of Index, as a candidate for the
nomination for Sheriff of Morgan
county, subject to the action of
the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
SAM R. LYKINS,
of Caney, as a candidate for the
Democratic nomination for Sher-
iff of Morgan county.

We are authorized to announce
W. W. McCLURE,
of West Liberty, as a candidate
for the nomination for Jailer of
Morgan county, subject to the
action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
E. J. WEBB,
of Blair's Mill, as a candidate
for the nomination for Jailer of
Morgan county, subject to the
action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
J. H. ROE,
of Grassy Creek, as a candidate
for the nomination for Jailer of
Morgan county, subject to the
action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
GEO. W. STACY,
of Grassy Creek, as a candidate
for the nomination for JAILER of
Morgan County, subject to the
action of the Democrat party.

We are authorized to announce
JOHN PATRICK, (Assessor John)
of Grassy Creek, as a candidate
for the nomination for Assessor
of Morgan county, subject to the
action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
REV. W. H. LINDON
of Insko, as a candidate for the
nomination for Assessor of Mor-
gan county, subject to the ac-
tion of the Democratic party.

as a candidate for the
nomination for County Court
Clerk, subject to the action of
the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce
LEE BARKER,
of Malone, as a candidate for the
nomination for County Court
Clerk, subject to the action of
the Democratic party.

Mr. Bryan, will you please
go in the back yard and
play?

Now that Brown and Mc-
Cutcheon, erstwhile political
bosses of Kentucky, have
knocked under, let us hope
that a brighter era for the
State is dawning.

A patron asked the other
day, why school notes were
not published in the COUR-
IER regularly like last year.
Let's drop that sub-
ject. Everyone interested
to any extent knows why,
and unless we are piqued by
unjust criticism we prefer
not to air soiled linen.

The strongest argument
against woman suffrage is
that the leaders of that
movement have no babies.
It is not backed by the moth-
ers. For old maids and
childless married women
some diversion should be
provided, but shoo them
away from that suffrage
thing that would take the
woman worth while from
her Queenland—the Home.

Ryland C. Musick, editor
of the Jackson Times, is a
candidate for Delegate to
the National Democratic
Convention. Mr. Musick is
eminently qualified for the
position, and if party service
is to be recognized is entitled
to it. The Democratic edi-
tors work 365 days in the
year for the party, and the
only reward they ever ask is
some position without pay
that entails a heavy expense
to be paid by themselves.
Personally, Mr. Musick is a
pleasant, worthy gentleman,
a hustler and a Democrat all
the time. We predict that
he will land the honor.

The express companies
seem to be behind the move-
ment to defeat the Parcel
Post bill. We have been
swamped with literature ar-
guing against it, but we are
yet unconvinced. Just as
government ownership of
railroads is inevitable, so
with the Parcel Post. The
sooner we get the latter the
better for the people. It re-
quires a demonstration to
convince the people. The
Parcel Post will teach them
how flagrantly they are be-
ing robbed by the express
companies and they will then
begin to smell out the exhor-
bitant freight rates that pre-
vail.

Monopoly and oppression
are at last having to fight to
exist, and the awakening in-
telligence of the people will
in the end win. The Repub-
lican party and its concomi-
tant monopolies will pass in-
to oblivion when the people
exercise their reason.

We favor the Parcel Post.

Farm For Sale

140 acres, good house and barn
good orchard and garden, two
good wells and one spring. 70
acres good Licking river bottom
land, all under good fence. Will
take good live stock on first pay-
ment; balance on one and two
years time. Price: \$2,500.

Call on or write

C. W. CLAY,
Salt Lick, Ky.
88-3t. Care Judge Kimbrell.

Commercial Club is destined to
accomplish much good for
the town and surrounding
Country is apparent to the
most casual observer. The
uniform system of sidewalks,
to be constructed along the
lines and according to the
plans submitted by the club,
seems to be a sure thing.
But little opposition to the
scheme has developed thus
far, and those who oppose
it will not accept the club's
invitation to attend its
meetings and discuss the
proposition frankly and free-
ly. The invitation was ex-
tended to them in good faith
and is still open. No harm
can come of a full discussion
of every phase of the ques-
tion, and that is what we, as
a Club, and the citizens of
West Liberty generally,
want. The truth is what we
are trying to get at, and if
any one has any information
bearing on the sidewalk
question, either in regard to
the cost of construction, the
bond issue or any other sub-
ject relative to the building
of the walks and
paying for the same, he
ought to come before the
Commercial Club and give it
the benefit of his knowledge.
The sidewalk question is be-
ing agitated by the progres-
sive citizens of the town
from a sense of civic duty
and because of a conscien-
tious belief that they are
taking a step in the right di-
rection and are doing some-
thing for the betterment of
all concerned. No one will
be able to say, in the future,
that the matter was rail-
roaded through—that they
were not given a chance to
be heard. The concrete
walks are going to be built,
sooner or later, and if the
people should refuse to ac-
cept the present proposition
it would only mean that the
Board of trustees, or their
successors, will eventually
pass an ordinance ordering
the walks constructed and
then the property owners
would be compelled to pay
the full cost of construction
at one time instead of having
ten years in which to do it.

Opportunities like this
don't come every day and
when opportunity passes by
it don't turn back.

Corn Club! CORN CLUB!!
CORN CLUB!!! We have
three expressed candidates
for County Superintendent,
with perhaps others looking
over the bars. That office is
educational and the man or
woman who fills it success-
fully must be an educator.
What an opportunity for the
would-be Superintendent!

There are probably five
hundred boys in this county
between the ages of 12 and
16 years. At least one hun-
dred of these (five hundred
would be better) ought to
enter a corn growing contest.
The benefits to be derived
from such a movement could
not be computed in dollars
and cents. Something must
be done for the farmers of
Morgan county. Now is the
opportunity. The candidate
for Superintendent who will
interest himself in this work
and show results will gain a
lead over his competitors
that all the electioneering
they will be able to do can
not overcome. One month
spent in this work NOW will
do more toward securing the
nomination than everything
else combined.

This hint is intended for
the wise.

It matters but little if the
editor of the COURIER parts
his hair in the middle or if
the foreman wears good size
shoes. Neither of us have
suffered our whiskers to get
fleecegrown or, to become the
depository of sputum six
days old. Our wit is not
our only stock in trade and
if it were we would not use
it to retard the develop-
ment of our home town.

Go to, sorehead; you are
kicking against the pricks
and the more you flounce the
deeper you'll get the hooks.

The men who do a town more
harm than good may be classed
as follows: First, those who op-
pose improvement. Second,
those who run it down to stran-
gers. Third, those who never
advertise their business. Fourth,
those who distrust public spir-
ited men. Fifth, those who show
no hospitality to any one. Sixth,
those who hate to see others
make money. Seventh, those
who put on long faces when a
stranger speaks of locating in
their town. Ninth, those who
oppose every public enterprise,
which does not appear of person-
al benefit to themselves. Is
there one like this in this town?
We think not.—ex.

We can't say that for West
Liberty.

An editor was dying, but
when the doctor bent over, placed
his ear on his breast, and said,
"Poor man! Circulation almost
gone!" the dying editor shouted:
"You're a liar! We have the
largest circulation in the coun-
ty!"—Exchange.

GUMPTION

BY L. T. HOVERMALE.

I were not for the fact that
I give Job cards and spades
and at him in the game of pa-
tier I would get wearied with
Ortho. x. x. x. I believe it
was the Roman senate, for
I only one refrain. No
what the subject before
that body was, he would rise in
his seat and, instead of voting,
shout: "Carthage must be de-
stroyed!" Orthodox has read,
or heard it read, that "individu-
al" effort was the great force
that was to save mankind. With-
out having the slightest idea of
what he means he makes it the
burden of his song. He hasn't
brains enough to know that that
is a false and vicious theory that
has been insidiously instilled in
the minds of the people by de-
signing rascals who plunder the
toilers.

The capitalistic class teach that
doctrine, through a prostituted
press and fawning pulpit, in or-
der that the poor, unthinking
workingman will work on uncon-
plainingly hoping that "ind vid-
al" effort will better his con-
dition. And the dumb, driven la-
borer toils on while his opportu-
nity for making a bare living
grows daily less and less. The
capitalist class, in order to stl
the storm when the herd of
workers threaten to stampee,
increases wages 10 per cent. and
at the same time increases the
prices on the necessities of life
40 per cent. The worker goes
back to his ceaseless toil satisfied
with what he has accomplished
by his "individual" effort.

True, the laboring man can,
under favorable circumstances,
by denying himself the neces-
saries of life, sometimes get a few
dollars ahead provided he has in-
herited an unusual amount of
that disposition known as thrift.
But he cannot lift himself out of
his class. In rare cases men do,
under extraordinary conditions,
better their condition, but it is
only those who have inherited a
mind that is selfish and cunning.
He is a rare bird, however.

If individual effort is so potent
in the affairs of man why is it
that the land—the source of
wealth—and all the means of
the production of wealth is being
absorbed by the few? Why is it
that less than 4 per cent. of the
inhabitants of the great city of

New York own the homes they
live in? Why is it that 60 per
cent. of the wealth of this coun-
try is in the hands of 15 per
cent. of the people? Why don't
orthodox and his tribe "individu-
al effort" enough to stop the
soaring prices of food? Why
don't they "individual effort"
sufficiently to bust the trusts that
are absorbing their very means
of making a living?

With starvation, privation, woe
and misery clinging to them like
cerements these ignoramus
rear up on their hind legs and,
like other jackasses, bray: "You
mustn't take away from us the
incentive that 'individual effort'
gives!"

Prodded on by their masters,
Orthodox and his crowd sets up
the cry of "Anarchist!" at those
who believe that the product of
labor should belong to the labor-
er who produces it. We are "un-
desirable citizens" who preach
that man is one great brother-
hood and that the oppression of
one is the cause of many. Yes,
it would destroy "individual ef-
fort" if the means of production
and distribution of wealth were
taken from the idle thieves who
stole them and put in the hands
of the real owners—labor. It
would be a great crime against
humanity if the wealth that is
produced by labor should be dis-
tributed to each man in propor-
tion to the amount of labor he
put into the production of it.
What a blow it would be to our
splendid civilization if things
were so arranged that the hours
of the laborer should be fewer and
the laborer could educate his
children and dress them well and
could have luxuries for his fam-
ily. And it would be a measly
shame to compel the white-hand-
ed idlers to either work or
starve.

Orthodox and his horde of
wage-slaves are so wedded to
their chains that preaching the
economic truth to them is about
as effective as singing psalms to
a dead nigger. They kiss the
hand that binds them and revile
those who offer relief. Were it
not for this dense, pitiable igno-
rance the reign of the capital-
istic plunderer would be short.

Oh! that some miraculous pow-
er could give the poor, benighted
Orthodoxes sufficient brains to
see this, and courage enough to
throw off the yoke and like men
demand and take their own!

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